

S.56: An act relating to child care and early childhood education

Decision Points Checklist

I. Prekindergarten

II. Child Care

- Child Care Financial Assistance Program
 - Zero co-pay expansion?
 - What FPL?
 - When effective?
 - Upper income limit eligibility expansion?
 - What FPL?
 - When effective?
 - Adjustments to fee scale structure?
 - Require DCF to offer electronic applications?
- Workforce Compensation
 - Who develops workforce pay scale?
 - What criteria should be considered in developing pay scale?
 - Mechanism for implementing pay scale?
 - Rule/guidance document/etc.?
 - How often should pay scale be updated?
 - When effective?
 - When is pay scale created?
 - When is pay scale implemented?
- Payment to Providers
 - Attendance- versus enrollment-based?
 - Should payments reflect “total cost of care”?
 - Definition of “total cost of care”?
 - Remove link to STARS?
- Non-citizen child care assistance program
 - When effective?
- Special accommodation grant
 - Keep report or impose a requirement?
- Workforce supports
 - Workforce Retention \$
 - Distributed by third party?
 - Add'l \$500k for Scholarships for Current Early Providers
 - Correct amount?

III. Property Tax Exemption

IV. System Governance

- Split DCF?
 - New structure?
 - Which divisions/offices are part of which department?
 - When effective?
 - Leadership for early education?